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1.2 Organization for Administration

- (a) ATTACHMENT 1.2-A contains a description of the organization and functions of the Medicaid agency and an organization chart of the agency.
 - (b) Within the State agency, the Division of Health Care Financing has been designated as the medical assistance unit. ATTACHMENT 1.2-B contains a description of the organization and functions of the medical assistance unit and an organization chart of the unit.
 - (c) ATTACHMENT 1.2-C contains a description of the kinds and numbers of professional medical personnel and supporting staff used in the administration of the plan and their responsibilities.
 - (d) Eligibility determinations are made by State or local staff of an agency other than the agency named in paragraph 1.1(a). ATTACHMENT 1.2-D contains a description of the staff designated to make such determinations and the functions they will perform.
- ☒ Not applicable. Only staff of the agency named in paragraph 1.1(a) make such determinations.

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DEPARTMENT MISSION

The mission of the Department of Health and Social Services is to work in partnership with local governments, health and human service agencies, private providers and concerned and affected citizens to develop and support availability of the care, treatment or assistance people need to cope with illness, injury, impairment, economic reversal, family disintegration, delinquent behavior, and inappropriate dependency. This includes attempting to prevent or minimize conditions that limit well-being and independence while enabling service recipients to achieve, sustain or regain well-being and independence in the physical, mental, social and economic dimensions of their lives.

In support of this mission, the Department has the following broad responsibilities:

- To foster the availability and accessibility of care, treatment and financial and other assistance for persons most in need through careful planning of services and efficient distribution and use of scarce financial resources.
- To promote individual, family, and community well-being and health through vigorous programs to reduce or prevent avoidable illness, disability, or dependency and their associated costs.
- To encourage local public and private initiative and support for human service programs aimed at helping people help themselves and others.
- To give priority attention to the interests and needs of vulnerable persons including children and the elderly, those in need of long-term support including continuing or protective care, and families facing the loss of life's necessities due to a breadwinner's incapacity or inability to provide for family members.
- To provide for public safety and protection through institutional programs for delinquent youth and for adult criminal offenders who are mentally or emotionally impaired.
- To support development of community program options to prevent delinquent behavior of youth, and to meet the treatment needs of delinquent youth, status offenders and their families.

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- To ensure, where government funds and oversight are involved, that programs are conducted in an environment characterized by acceptable quality without unnecessary cost and duplication, accountability without needless paperwork, creativity and innovation without loss of purpose, and efficiency without jeopardizing access, equity or availability for persons in need.
- To provide incentives, directions, and oversight so that public resources are put to proper and effective use.
- To carry out these mission responsibilities with the active participation and advice of communities, providers, clients and citizens, and to do so in a way that respects the dignity and enhances the self-reliance of everyone involved.

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STATE WISCONSIN

DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTION OF THE STATE AGENCY

The Department of Health and Social Services is under the direction and supervision of the Secretary of Health and Social Services. The Governor appoints a departmental secretary, with the advice and consent of the Senate, who serves an indefinite term. The secretary appoints a deputy secretary and division administrators.

The office of the secretary is responsible for the planning and coordinated execution of the various health and social services provided by the Department. The Department is divided into seven divisions, and maintains regional, district, and sub-offices and institutions across the state. The six program divisions are the Division of Community Services, the Division of Economic Support, the Division of Care and Treatment Facilities, the Division of Health, the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation and the Division of Youth Services. The Bureau of Health Care Financing is located in the Division of Health.

The Division of Economic Support, is responsible for a broad program of financial services for economically disadvantaged groups. While the Division of Health administers the Medical Assistance program, the Division of Economic Support does the eligibility determination and supervises the counties' administration of the public assistance programs.

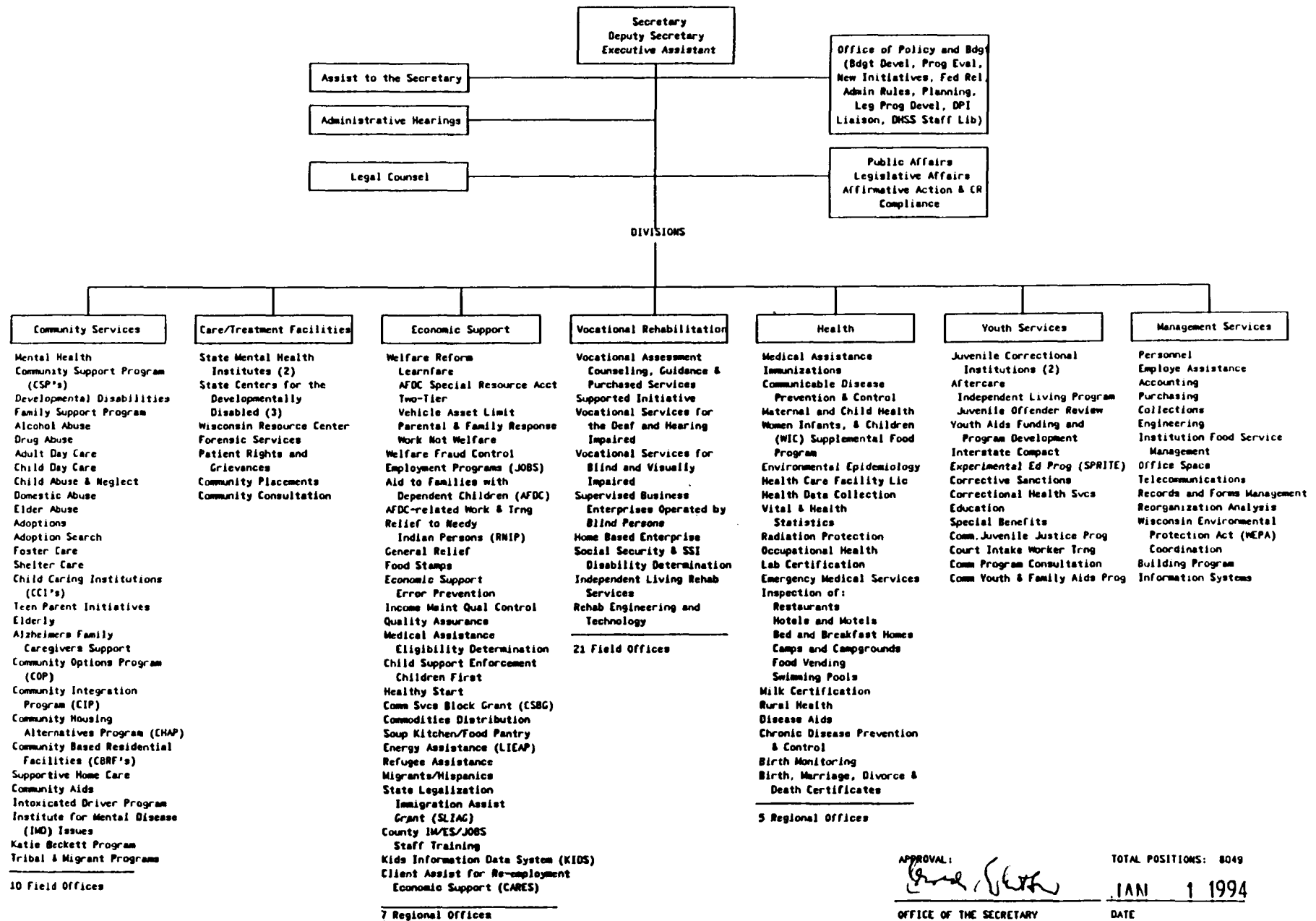
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